

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JIM KEANE**, on March 2, 2005 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 172 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jim Keane, Chairman (D)
Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Joe McKenney, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Bob Bergren (D)
Rep. Tim Dowell (D)
Rep. Kevin T. Furey (D)
Rep. Dave Gallik (D)
Rep. Ralph Heinert (R)
Rep. Llew Jones (R)
Rep. Mike Jopek (D)
Rep. Harry Klock (R)
Rep. Scott Mendenhall (R)
Rep. Mike Milburn (R)
Rep. Don Roberts (R)
Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)
Rep. Dan Villa (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Jonathan Windy Boy (D)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Bart Campbell, Legislative Branch
Kyanne Kelly, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 23, 2/23/2005; SB 37, 2/23/2005;
SB 5, 2/23/2005
Executive Action: SB 37, HJ 23

HEARING ON HJ 23

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

REP. MIKE JOPEK (D), HD 4, opened the hearing on HJ 23, Study
state health insurance purchasing pool.
00:02:24

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:04:48 Erin McGown-Finchon, State Auditors Office

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:05:52

HEARING ON SB 37

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. TRUDI SCHMIDT (D), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 37,
Indemnification agreement for domestic insurers.
00:11:44

Proponents' Testimony:

00:13:47 Alicia Pichette, State Auditors Office
[EXHIBIT](#)(buh46a01)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:18:09

Closing by Sponsor:

00:19:49

HEARING ON SB 5

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

SEN. KEN (KIM) HANSEN (D), SD 17, opened the hearing on **SB 5**,
Revise laws governing real estate appraisers.
00:22:13

Proponents' Testimony:

00:28:29 Joe Parsetich, Great Falls
EXHIBIT(buh46a02)
00:34:54 James Gardner, Attorney
EXHIBIT(buh46a03)
00:47:18 **SEN. JOE BALYEAT, SD 34, BOZEMAN**
EXHIBIT(buh46a04)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:58:49 Tim Moore, Chairman of Appraisal Board
EXHIBIT(buh46a05)
01:07:55 Jan Martin, Board of Real Estate Appraisers
01:09:12 Jerry Mitchke, Appraiser in Helena
01:11:59 Kraig Kosena, Appraiser in Missoula
01:13:35 Glenn Oppel, Association of Realtors
01:14:53 Joe Moore, Appraiser in Helena
01:17:02 Dave Thomas, Appraiser in Lewistown
01:19:52 Mike McLeod, Real Estate Broker from Butte

Informational Testimony:

01:22:16 Jim Brown, Department of Labor and Industry
01:22:45 Billy Verkamp, Department of Labor and Industry

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:25:15

Closing by Sponsor:

01:47:17

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 37

Motion: REP. GALLIK moved that SB 37 DO PASS.

Discussion:

01:50:01

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. REP WINDY BOY
voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 23

Motion: REP. JOPEK moved that HJ 23 DO PASS.

Discussion:

01:52:19

Vote: Motion failed 9-9 by roll call vote with REP. BERGREN, REP. DOWELL, REP. FUREY, REP. GALLIK, REP. GALVIN-HALCRO, REP. JOPEK, REP. STAHL, REP. VILLA, and REP. WINDY BOY voting aye. REP WINDY BOY voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:06 A.M.

REP. JIM KEANE, Chairman

KYANNE KELLY, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([buh46aad0.PDF](#))